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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Richard J. Schneider et al.

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Application No.: 10/699,260

Examiner: Ronald Laneau

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Group: 3714

Title: PLAYER SPECIFIC REWARDS

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The examiner has required that prosecution of the subject application be restricted to one of the following groups of inventions:

- I. Claims 1-6 and 16-19, drawn to configuring a gaming machine according to player-tracking information, classified in 463/42;
- II. Claims 8-10 and 20-23, drawn to storing the state progress in a gaming session and resuming it later, classified in 463/25;
- III. Claims 11-15 and 24-27, drawn to a method of playing a bonus selection-matching game and gaming device implementing the method, classified in 463/20.

The examiner has found that the inventions do not relate to a single general inventive concept.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect to prosecute Group I, claims 1-6 and 16-19.

If prosecution of this application can be assisted by telephone, the examiner is requested to call Applicants' undersigned attorney at (510) 267-4106.

If any fees are due in connection with the filing this Response to Restriction

Requirement, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account

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Dated:

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